Summer 2011

Dear Camp "RAD" Parents:

Welcome!

We are very excited about our upcoming summer season and look forward to meeting our new campers. This is our third year offering Camp RAD, and we have tried to include as many exciting activities as we could squeeze into a six-hour day. This is a traveling camp which will spend the majority of the day traveling to different locations and participating in different activities. All activities have been pre-scheduled and will be directly supervised by Shamus and Mark who will be co-directing the program after directing and working with the Parks and Recreation Department Sports and Beach Camp. In addition to Shamus and Mark, each activity will be directed or instructed by professional staff, and when visiting aquatic environments there will always be a certified beach lifeguard or service on duty.

Please read through all of the information carefully.

Liability Waivers:

This camp will be doing several activities that require separate liability waivers to be completed by parents and turned in on the first day of the program; those activities are the climbing gym at Vertical Heaven, the MB2 Raceway, and the Outrigger canoes (and for Session 1 **only**, the Trampoline Gym). The waivers are included in this packet, and if we do not receive them by the first day of the program, your child will be unable to participate in these activities.

Activity calendars:

The Aquatic Section is providing activity calendars to assist with any required preparation for each day's listed activities, and for reference. Staff does their very best to adhere to the distributed calendar, but activities are subject to change based on decisions regarding the environment, safety or other conditions related to camper needs.

Due to the size of the camp and the limited space in the Parks and Recreation vans we will not have room to permit parents or other guests to accompany the camp on excursions or daily activities.

Daily Camp Schedule:

Please read the camp schedule each day, and notify staff in the Aquatic Section by calling the Cabrillo Bathouse at 897-2680 for the following situations:

- Your child will not be attending camp,
- You will be late dropping off or picking up your child.
- You need to contact your child.

Camp directors are equipped with cellular phones for emergency purposes only.

What to Bring to Camp Each Day:

Every morning, your child must arrive with a bathing suit and sunscreen <u>already on</u>. However, staff will ensure sunscreen is applied frequently throughout the camp day to minimize unnecessary sun exposure.

Campers should also bring the following, which should fit into a backpack:

 □ Sunscreen with SPF of 15 or higher □ Towel □ Walking shoes □ Sweatshirt or light jacket □ Hat or visor 	☐ Sunglasses☐ Water bottle with fluids☐ Sack lunch☐ Snack.			
Boogie boards and wetsuits can also be brought on beach field trips, and we encourage families to clearly mark all equipment with their family name.				
Campers should <u>not</u> bring the following items or anything of value that could be lost or broken during the day:				
□ Roller shoes □ Bikes □ Knives □ Walkman	□ Nintendos / Gameboys□ Toys□ Books□ Trading cards			
<u>Drop Off and Pick Up:</u> It is essential for your child to be dropped off by 9:00 a.m. and picked up at 4:00 p.m. at Cabrillo Bathhouse (beach level), located at 1118 E. Cabrillo Blvd.				
You may park up to 10 minutes in the East Beach parking lots to facilitate drop-off or pick-up, but if you plan to remain longer you will need to pay the hourly rate for parking in the Waterfront parking lots. Campers must be signed in and out by an adult each day. There will be a sign-in/out table on the patio at the Bathhouse. There is a late fee of \$5 for every 15 minutes the child waits at camp after the paid program time.				
Camp Directors and Staff are to request a picture ID of any adult, parent, or individual that is seeking to release into their custody a registered camp participant. Camp Directors must receive in advance written permission from a parent authorizing release of their camper to someone not previously included in the Camper Information Forms.				
On behalf of the Camp RAD Staff, welcome to our program. Please feel free to call the Aquatics Section at (805) 897-2680 if you have any further questions or comments. We look forward to meeting you!				
Sincerely,	Sincerely,			
Shamus Camp RAD Co-Director	Mark Vanderline Camp RAD Co-Director			
CC:				
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